

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order:

CHAIRMAN JON C. SESSO, on January 15, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jon C. Sesso, Chairman (D)
Rep. Duane Ankney (R)
Rep. Dennis Getz (D)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Rep. Teresa K. Henry (D)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Walter McNutt (R)
Rep. Robert Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. Bill Nooney (R)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Cheryl Steenson (D)
Rep. Dan Villa (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Ray Hawk (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Jon Moe, Legislative Branch
Samuel Speerschneider, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing and Date Posted: HB 229, HB 178, HB 107, HB 219, 1/12/09

Executive Action: HB 107, HB 71, HB 112, HB 127

00:01:20 Chairman Sesso

HEARING ON HB 229

Hearing on HB 229 continued from 1/14/09

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:08 REP. GARY MACLAREN (R), HD 89, opened the hearing on **HB 229**, Fund St. Mary's preservation.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:41 Rep. Fleming

00:04:48 Chairman Sesso

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:05:21 Rep. Kasten

00:05:36 Chairman Sesso

Closing by Sponsor:

00:05:47 Rep. MacClaren

00:07:25 Chairman Sesso

HEARING ON HB 178

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:07:53 REP. DEBORAH KOTTEL (D), HD 20, opened the hearing on **HB 178**, State assistance for mold sampling and analysis.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:37 Klaus Sitte, Executive Director, Montana Legal Services
EXHIBIT(aph09a01)

00:13:07 Sheena Rice, Montana Public Interest Research Group

00:14:48 Lucas Hamilton, Associated Students of the University
of Montana

00:17:03 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:17:10 Chairman Sesso

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:17:56 Rep. Hollenbaugh
00:18:12 Rep. Kottel
00:18:20 Rep. Nooney
00:18:40 Rep. Kottel
00:19:00 Rep. Nooney
00:19:49 Rep. Kottel
00:19:21 Chairman Sesso
00:20:09 Rep. Kottel
00:20:32 Chairman Sesso
00:20:48 Rep. Kottel
00:20:53 Chairman Sesso
00:20:57 Rep. Kottel
00:21:14 Rep. Getz
00:21:31 Rep. Kottel
00:21:51 Rep. Getz
00:22:11 Rep. Kottel
00:23:14 Rep. Roberts
00:24:30 Rep. Kottel
00:25:19 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:25:30 Rep. Kottel
00:26:29 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:27:49 Rep. Kottel
00:28:16 Rep. Morgan
00:28:43 Rep. Kottel
00:28:48 Chairman Sesso
00:30:17 Rep. Kottel
00:30:25 Chairman Sesso
00:30:30 Rep. Kottel
00:30:33 Chairman Sesso

Closing by Sponsor:

00:30:48 Rep. Kottel
00:31:52 Chairman Sesso

HEARING ON HB 107

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:32:21 REP. CYNTHIA HINER (D), HD 85, opened the hearing on **HB 107**, Revise definition of enterprise funds.
00:34:47 Chairman Sesso

Proponents' Testimony: None.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:35:24 Rep. Hiner
00:35:48 Chairman Sesso

HEARING ON HB 219

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:36:33 **REP. DUANE ANKNEY (R), HD 43**, opened the hearing on **HB 219**, Honorarium for Montanans serving in contingency operation.
00:41:49 Chairman Sesso

Proponents' Testimony:

00:42:02 Bob Pavlovich, former Legislator
00:43:37 Colonel Jim Jacobson, MT American Legion
00:44:58 Chairman Sesso

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

00:45:22 Joe Foster, Administrator, Montana Veterans Affairs Office
00:45:37 Chairman Sesso

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:45:51 Rep. Henry
00:46:04 Jon Moe, Legislative Fiscal Division

00:46:58 Rep. Henry
00:47:20 Chairman Sesso
00:47:45 Mr. Foster
00:48:00 Chairman Sesso
00:48:09 Mr. Foster
00:48:53 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:49:24 Rep. Morgan
00:50:02 Rep. Glaser
00:50:35 Chairman Sesso
00:51:49 Rep. Ankney
00:52:12 Chairman Sesso
00:52:25 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:52:59 Rep. Ankney
00:53:38 Chairman Sesso

Closing by Sponsor:

00:53:55 Rep. Ankney
00:55:02 Chairman Sesso
00:56:55 Rep. Morgan
00:57:05 Chairman Sesso

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 71

00:57:32 **Motion:** Rep. Hollenbaugh moved that **HB 71 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:57:53 Rep. Roberts
00:58:10 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 19-0.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 112

00:59:02 **Motion:** Rep. Villa moved that **HB 112 DO PASS**

Discussion:

00:59:07 Rep. Morgan
00:59:18 Rep. Jones
00:59:22 Rep. Villa
00:59:39 Chairman Sesso

00:59:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 19-0.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 127

01:00:11 **Motion:** Rep. Villa moved that **HB 127 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:00:22 Rep. Glaser

01:00:28 Chairman Sesso

01:00:45 Rep. McNutt

01:01:05 Chairman Sesso

01:01:39 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 19-0.

01:01:51 Chairman Sesso

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 107

01:02:03 **Motion:** Rep. Kasten moved that **HB 107 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:02:14 Chairman Sesso

01:02:20 Rep. Morgan

01:02:26 Rep. Hollenbaugh

01:02:52 Mr. Moe

01:03:56 Rep. Glaser

01:04:05 Chairman Sesso

01:04:11 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of members present, 19-0.

01:04:21 Chairman Sesso

ADJOURNMENT

01:04:29 Adjournment: 5:15 P.M.

SAMUEL SPEERSCHNEIDER, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([aph09aad.pdf](#))